

## UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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Mr. Stephen R. Spencer, Ph.D. (Regional Environmental Officer)
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U.S. Department of the Interior
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Re:

Notification of EPA's Planned Enforcement/Remedial Actions

Pursuant to CERCLA §§ 104(b)(2) and 122(j)

Wilcox Oil Company Superfund Site

Creek County, Oklahoma

Dear Mr. Spencer:

The purpose of this letter is to notify you that the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is planning to commence enforcement actions at the Wilcox Oil Company Superfund Site (hereinafter "the Site") in Creek County, Oklahoma. This notification is being sent to you pursuant to Sections 104(b)(2) and 122(j) of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980, as amended by the Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act of 1986.

The Site is located north of the town of Bristow, Oklahoma. The "Final Rule" adding the Site to the National Priorities List was published in the Federal Register on December 12, 2013.

The EPA is currently planning enforcement and remedial actions at the Site. Enforcement actions may involve issuing Special Notice to Potentially Responsible Parties. Remedial actions will consist of a Remedial Investigation/Feasibility Study (RI/FS) to determine the horizontal and vertical extent of contamination that may be present at the Site, and to develop and evaluate potential remedial alternatives for the Site.

Based on the Site investigations conducted to date, it is possible that natural resources may be affected by the releases of hazardous substances from the Site. The EPA encourages you and the other natural resource trustees, as appropriate, to participate in the planned upcoming RI/FS activities for future investigations and response actions at the Site. Your correspondence of February 14, 2014 designated the following DOI Bureau offices with personnel that should be given the opportunity to be included in the Site Planning Team:

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The EPA intends to issue a Special Notice Letter (SNL) to potentially responsible parties to request a good faith offer for them to enter into negotiations to conduct the RI/FS for the Site, pursuant to Section 106(a) of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980, as amended, 42 U.S.C. § 9606(a). Copy of the SNL, including a full list of potentially responsible parties that will be receiving the letter will be provided to the DOI designated points of contact. This action is expected to occur within a matter of days, but no earlier than three (3) days from the date of this letter.

If you have any questions about this letter or need additional information, please feel free to contact me at the above address, <u>canellas.bart@epa.gov</u>, or telephone (214) 665-6662.

Sincerely,

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